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Filed: October 22, 1999  
Title: *Methods for Inhibiting the Interaction of B7-2 With Its Natural Ligand*  
Attorney Docket No.: RPI-004C3CNRCE

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Interview Summary mailed from the US Patent Office on July 13, 2004, we enclose herewith for filing in the above-referenced case the following:

1. Statement of the Substance of the 8 July 2004 Interview;
2. Prepaid Acknowledgment Postcard.

Please charge any necessary fees to our Deposit Account No. 12-0080. For this purpose, a duplicate of this sheet is enclosed. Applicants request any extensions of time necessary to respond.

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**STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE**  
**8 July 2004 INTERVIEW**

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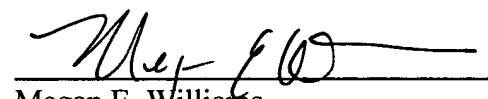
Applicants thank the Examiner for the courtesy of a telephonic interview that took place on 8 July 2004 between Applicants' Attorney, Megan Williams, and Examiner P. Gambel.

In the interview, upon the Examiner's request, the Applicants' Attorney agreed to cancel claims 92 and 104 which recite "an additional immunosuppressive agent", and also agreed to update the status of priority applications by Examiner's Amendment.

## CONCLUSION

If a telephone conversation with applicant's attorney would expedite the prosecution of the above-identified application, the examiner is urged to call applicant's attorney at (617) 227-7400.

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